#### COMMUNICATION



#### THREE BASIC TYPES



#### OF

#### COMMUNICATION

## Three Basic Types of Communication:

**★ PASSIVE** 

\* AGGRESSIVE

**★** ASSERTIVE







#### THE PASSIVE COMMUNICATOR:

- \* IS NON-CONFRONTATIONAL
- **★** DOESN'T EXPRESS TRUE FEELINGS-KEEPS TRUE FEELINGS HIDDEN
- **\* USUALLY WANTS TO AVOID CONFLICT**
- ★ FEELS MANIPULATED, USED, FRUSTRATED
- **★ REMAINS SILENT AND HOPES**CONFLICT WILL DISAPPEAR

#### **BODY LANGUAGE**

NON VERBAL COMMUNICATION FOR THE PASSIVE COMMUNICATOR:

- **★** SLOW, HESITANT SPEECH
- **★ DOWNCAST EYES**
- **★** STOOPED POSTURE
- **★ LOOKING AWAY**
- \* SWAYING FROM SIDE TO SIDE
- **★** FROWNING

## THE PASSIVE COMMUNICATOR OFTEN FEELS FRUSTRATED OR MANIPULATED

OCCASIONALLY THESE
FEELINGS
LEAD

TO:

#### "A BLOW-UP"

AN

EXPLOSIVE OUTBURST OF ANGER



## THE AGGRESSIVE COMMUNICATOR:



- ★ IS THE OPPOSITE OF THE PASSIVE COMMUNICATOR
- \* EXPRESSES SELF IN ANGER
- ★ LOUD, ANGRY VOICE--VERY FORCEFUL
- **★** DOESN'T LISTEN TO THE OTHER PERSON'S POINT OF VIEW
- ★ PUSHY- "MY WAY IS THE BEST WAY"

## THE AGGRESSIVE COMMUNICATOR:

- DOESN'T LISTEN TO THE OTHER PERSON'S POINT OF VIEW
- IS COMBATIVE--- OPENLY VOICES
  FEELINGS AND TRIES TO CONTROL
  THE SITUATION THROUGH
  INTIMIDATION AND FORCE

## BODY LANGUAGE OF THE AGGRESSIVE COMMUNICATOR:

- RED FACE
- **★** SWAGGERING
- **★ FIST-LIKE GESTURES**
- **★** DEFENSIVE BODY STANCE
- \* FLASHING EYES/ GLARING EYES
- \* SOMETIMES NO EYE CONTACT

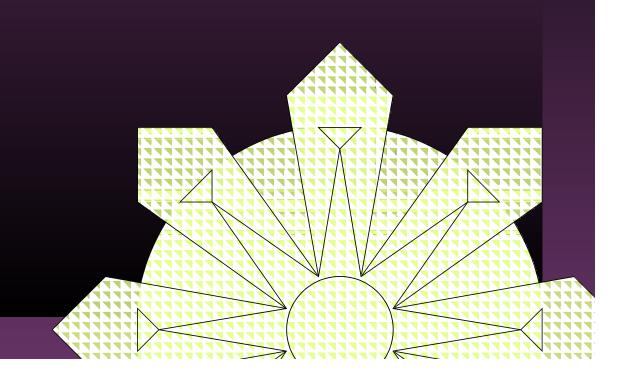
## THE AGGRESSIVE COMMUNICATOR OFTEN HURTS OTHER PEOPLES FEELINGS

#### **AGGRESSIVE COMMUNICATION**

#### CAN DESTROY RELATIONSHIPS



#### **ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION**



## THE ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATOR:



- ★ EXPRESSES TRUE FEELINGS IN A MATTER-OF-FACT, NONCOMBATIVE WAY
- **★ COMMUNICATES HONESTLY AND DIRECTLY**
- ★ STANDS UP FOR SELF WITHOUT DENYING THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS
- **★ IS WILLING TO COMPROMISE**

- \* AN ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATOR IS:
- **★** CALM
- **★** DIRECT
- **★** NON-CONFRONTATIONAL
- ★ WILLING TO LISTEN AND COMPROMISE

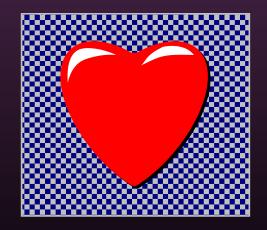
#### **BODY LANGUAGE**

#### NON-VERBAL ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION

- \* STEADY, DIRECT EYE CONTACT
- **★** CONFIDENT
- **★** SMILE
- **★** RELAXED BODY STANCE
- **★** EVEN-TEMPER



**AN ASSERTIVE** COMMUNICATOR BUILDS **FEELINGS** OF **WORTH** IN SELF **AND OTHERS** 



# AN ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATOR BUILDS FEELINGS OF EQUALITY IN RELATIONSHIPS

# ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION OPENS UP DIALOGUE, DISCUSSION, CREATIVITY





#### **PASSIVE**

**AGGRESSIVE** 

**ASSERTIVE** 

COMMUNICATION

#### CHOOSE ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION



### ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION

- ★ Expresses true feelings
- ★ Communicates honestly and directly
- ★ Stands up for self without denying the rights of others.





